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Applicants submit this Amendment & Request for Reconsideration Under 37 C.F.R. §1.111 in response to the Final Office Action dated May 15, 2007. This submission is timely filed.

For the Examiner's convenience:

- Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper;
- Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper; and
- **Authorization** to charge additional fees to Deposit Account No. 13-4500 is on page 10 of this paper.